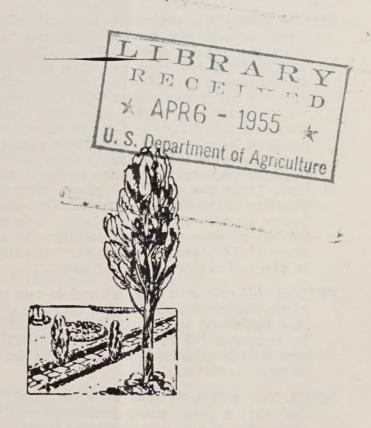
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# Plant Personalities

A selected list of the better plant specialties for your gardening enjoyment



# CAPE COD GARDENS

P.O. BOX 256

FALMOUTH, (on Cape Cod), MASS.

## INTRODUCTION

- AN INVITATION. In presenting this plant list to you, we want to extend a cordial invitation to visit our nursery whenever you have an opportunity to do so. Whether you live nearby or are visiting Cape Cod on vacation, we sincerely hope you will feel free to visit us at any time. Our nursery is located on Route 28, about one mile East of Falmouth Village.
- BUSINESS HOURS. You are welcome to visit us at any time, but business is transacted only on weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on Sundays during April, May and June from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- YOUR NURSERY. We want this to be YOUR NURSERY. It can only exist with your patronage and good will. That is why we want you to tell us if at any time our stock or our service are not satisfactory and why we want you to visit us whenever possible.
- seeds we sell are true to name and description, free from any serious insect pest or disease and that they will be delivered to you in good condition for planting. This makes it possible for customers who live at a distance to order our plants with the assurance that they will receive them in the same good condition as though they had called for them at the nursery. If any stock is received by you in poor condition, please notify us within ten days, describing the damage carefully and stating whether you want the stock replaced at once, or at the next favorable planting season. Prompt and careful planting immediately upon receipt of the plants will insure success with your plants. It is mutually agreed that in no case shall our liability exceed the purchase price of the plants and that we may refund your money in place of replacement, if necessary.
- PRICES. All prices in this list and in our special offers include transportation charges, (postage or express). They Are Delivered to You at that Price. All orders should be accompanied by FULL PAYMENT, as we cannot send C.O.D. shipments on account of the extra work and expense involved.
- SIZES. You will note that we offer small sizes only. We feel that a good many gardeners will enjoy growing their own plants into the sizes they want for planting around the place. It is lots of fun; it is economical and it is practical. The plants we offer in this booklet are at that stage in their development where they do require only a minimum amount of care. They are the same sizes and grades that nurserymen plant in their own nurseries. Be Smart. Be Your Own Nurseryman.
- Please note that all our prices include delivery charges. They are prepaid to your address.
- No order can be accepted for less than \$2.00. All orders should be accompanied by full payment, as we cannot afford to charge at these prices or send plants C.O.D.

## **AZALEAS**

The Azaleas are among the showiest and most colorful of all garden plants. They are becoming more popular every year and no planting should be without them if climate and other conditions permit. They are extremely floriferous and easy to grow, but as they are an acid soil loving plant, this condition must be provided for them. This can readily be done by the liberal use of peat moss in the soil and an occasional application of Aluminum Sulphate. Otherwise they appreciate a somewhat shady location, in a well drained soil with plenty of organic matter in it. Plenty of water during the hot summer months is desirable and a light shading in the winter time, if they are planted in a sunny spot, is essential.

The Kurume types we offer have proven hardy as far North as New York City and along the coast as far as Cape Cod. With extra care and some pampering they will succeed quite well in locations farther North and they are certainly worth trying, because of their beauty and showiness.

**KURUME TYPES.** We offer the following varieties from 2 inch plant bands at 75c each; 6 for \$3.75; 12 for \$7.00. Two year old field grown plants at \$1.50 each; 3 for \$4.00; 6 for \$7.50.

**SPECIAL OFFER.** Any six selected from the following list from 2-inch plant bands for \$3.50 postpaid; from field beds, 2 year plants, for \$7.25, postpaid. Shipment in May

## Varieties Available

AMOENA, rosy red.

HINO CRIMSON, brilliant dark crimson.

HINODIGIRI, brilliant crimson, lighter than the preceding.

MACRANTHA, large flowered deep pink, late.

MAY GLORY, light red.

PINK PROGRESS, deep pink.

RED PROGRESS, brilliant light red.

## NOTE:

We grow many other varieties of Azaleas, but the quantities available this year are not large enough to warrant offering them in this list. If you are interested in others than those offered here, in small sizes, please feel free to write us. We have a good lot of  $2\frac{1}{4}$ -inch potplants. It is fun to grow them yourself and not difficult either.

We will ship you 12 of these "Baby" plants, from 2-inch plantbands, postpaid, your selection of varieties, for \$5.95.

## RHODODENDRONS

Rhododendrons. one of our most spectacular native plants, are always a thing of beauty. They are acid soil loving plants and as is the case with most shade loving broadleaf evergreens, they grow best in areas where they will get some protection. Windswept locations should be avoided. They like a well-drained soil that is rich in organic matter. Neutral and alkaline soil should be improved with peatmoss and by the use of Aluminum sulphate. They will grow best in semi-shady locations and should be particularly protected from the extreme, hot mid-day sun during the summer months. They will appreciate copious waterings in dry weather.

#### HARDY HYBRID RHODODENDRONS

The hybrid seedlings we offer here are grown from carefully selected seed, handpicked from one of the finest lots of red plants growing in New England. We cannot guarantee the colors of these seedlings, of course, but our strain has consistently produced a large percentage of good reds and pinks. We pride ourselves in the belief that no better strain of Hybrid Seedlings can be grown.

#### FORTUNEI HYBRID RHODODENDRONS

We have grown seedlings of these Fortunei Hybrids for a number of years and year after year they have produced some of the finest pinks and near whites imaginable. They have proven absolutely hardy here on Cape Cod and in addition to producing larger flowers than the so-called Hardy Hybrids, they are often very fragrant.

Both types are offered in mixed colors only.

Two year plants from 2-inch plant bands: 75c each; 6 for \$4.00; 12 for \$7.00.

Three year plants from 3-inch plant bands: \$1.25 each; 3 for \$3.50; 6 for \$6.50.

SPRING SPECIAL. We will ship in May, when they are ready, 12 Hybrid Seedling Rhododendron, 2 year old, from 2-inch bands, postpaid, for \$5.95; or 6 Hybrid Seedling Rhododendrons, 3 years old, from 3-inch bands, Postpaid, for \$5.95.

## Cultural Directions for Rhododendrons and Azaleas

These plants are acid-soil loving plants and success or failure with them will in a great measure depend on the preparation of the soil before planting. Plenty of peat moss should be incorporated into the soil before planting, even at the rate of two parts peat moss and one part of soil. Good well rotted cow manure mixed in at planting time is one of the best fertilizers, but if that is hard to get, a good all around Acid Plant Fertilizer is satisfactory. While the plants are young, keep them lightly shaded, both summer and winter. When they grow older, they will stand full sun, as long as they can be protected from severe winds. Water copiously during the hot months. Never let them dry out.

# Named Hybrid RHODODENDRONS

These named hybrids will, of course, come true to color and the varieties offered here are among the best and the hardiest of this group. The supply is strictly limited, so place your order early.

CARACTACUS, deep crimson.

CATAWBIENSE ALBUM, white.

CHARLES DICKENS, beautiful clear red.

DR. H. C. DRESSELHUIS, crimson red, one of the best.

DR. H. J. LOVINCK, aniline red.

DR. V. H. RUTGERS, aniline red.

EDWARD S. RAND, clear scarlet.

GIGANTEUM, bright rose.

IGNATIUS SARGENT, purplish red.

MRS. C. S. SARGENT, soft red.

MRS. P. DEN OUDEN, bright red.

ROSEUM ELEGANS, rosy pink.

Two year old grafted plants, for May delivery, \$2.00 each; 3 for \$5.75; 6 for \$11.00, Postpaid.

## RHODODENDRON CAROLINIANUM RHODODENDRON CATAWBIENSE RHODODENDRON MAXIMUM

These three native species are not as showy as the Hybrids, but they have much to recommend them. They are very hardy and have a definite place in every garden.

Two year plants from 2-inch bands 75c each; 6 for \$4.00; 12 for \$5.95.

## Cultural Directions for Hollies

Hollies will thrive best if given a slightly shaded place, where they are protected from severe winds. They respond to good feeding and will repay for your trouble by greener foliage and brighter berries. Any good commercial fertilizer is satisfactory, though we ourselves like to use an all around Acid Plant Fertilizer. Plenty of water during the growing season is also recommended. If in somewhat exposed places, some boughs placed around the trees for shade during the winter months are highly beneficial. As they grow older, these practises can gradually be eliminated, as older trees usually will withstand the winter much better than young ones. We also recommend that you incorporate plenty of peat moss in the soil at planting time and keep the plants well mulched with peat moss.

Falmouth, Mass.

The HOLLY Family

It is easy to have your own Merry Christmas trees! Grow your own Christmas decorations by planting some American Holly Trees in your yard now. These year-round evergreen trees are covered with the crinkly foliage everyone loves so well plus the bright red berries for Christmas cheer.

### THEY ARE ALWAYS BEAUTIFUL

In general Hollies grow in a broadly pyramidal shape, increasing in beauty year after year. There is nothing more glorious than a snow-covered Holly Tree, its lustrous green foliage and brilliant red berries radiating cheer in the winter landscape.

THEY ARE EASY TO GROW

Holly trees stand intensive pruning and can be shaped into handsome lawn specimens as well as into hedges of outstanding beauty. They can eventually reach a height of 20 to 25 feet, but can be easily kept in bound by yearly pruning. Perfectly hardy and being native from Cape Cod southward, perfect plants are known to thrive much farther North and West than their native habitat. They will thrive in either full sun or partial shade. They like an acid soil with plenty of humus, one that holds water well. Mulching with peatmoss is very beneficial.

#### MALE AND FEMALE

Berries are only born on the female plants and it is therefor necessary to have at least one male plant with each group to insure fruiting.

SPECIAL HOLLY OFFER. We will ship 2 Female and 1 Male holly plant postpaid, for \$5.95. These will be named varieties, each one different and each one clearly labeled, about 6-12 inches tall, from pots. Delivery will be in May. Supply is still limited, so order several sets now.

NAMED VARIETIES OF AMERICAN HOLLY. Many of the varieties offered here were selected from native groves on Cape Cod. All others are Northern selections and considered the hardiest of the family.

As all varieties offered here are outstandingly good, we will not attempt individual descriptions. The female vari-eties are all red-berried. Plants from pots, about 6 to 12 inches tall. Price is postpaid to you.

### FEMALE VARIETIES

Arden	\$2.15	Lake City	\$2.15
Cardinal	2.15	Mae	
Clark		Manig	2.15
Croonenburg		Mrs. Santa	2.50
Delia Bradley	2.25	Osa	2.15
Farage	2.15	St. Mary	

#### MALE VARIETIES

Dick	\$2.15	Slim Jim \$2.15
Makepeace	2.15	> Wilfred 2.15
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# English Holly

The English Holly with darker and much shinier foliage than the American type, is not quite as hardy as our native one and should only be planted in places where it will have a chance to winter. We find it quite satisfactory in sheltered places here on Cape Cod and it does well on Long Island and from New York City southward.

Here again we offer young potgrown plants. We have just male and female plants, so specify what you want when you order. They are \$2.50 each, Postpaid. We recommend that you order in lots of three, one male and two female plants.

The only named variety we offer at this time is the variety J. C. Van Tol, a broadly pyramidal growing tree, with very dark green shiny foliage and an abundance of beautiful, large red berries. Plants of this outstanding female variety \$3.00 each, postpaid.

# Japanese Holly

The Japanese Hollies are of an entirely different type than the preceding two species. They are small-leaved and bear black berries. The two varieties offered here are of a spreading rather than an upright habit. They are some of the finest plants for foundation plantings and low hedges and we recommend them highly.

We offer two varieties, both of which will be supplied in plants about 6 to 12 inches high and from 3-inch plant bands. \$1.50 each; 3 for \$4.00, postpaid.

Ilex crenata convexa, a variety with small convex-shaped

and very shiny leaves. Black berries.

Ilex crenata rotundifolia, with larger foliage than the above, but round and flat, of a pleasing dull green. Also black berries.

# Two Splendid Groundcovers

Bearberry. Arctostaphyllos Uva-Ursi. Also called "Wild Cranberry". One of the finest evergreen groundcovers for either sun or shade. The foliage is a beautiful shiny dark green and turns into a bronze-green during the winter. It is very prostrate with pink and white flowers in June, followed by bright red, cranberry like berries in July-September. Requires an acid soil. Potgrown plants only. 6 for \$3.50; 12 for \$6.50. Postpaid.

Trailing Arbutus or Mayflower. This plant, botanically known as Epigaea repens, is one of our finest evergreen natives. It is the State Flower of Massachusetts. White to rose colored flowers open in very early Spring with a rich, spicy fragrance. The evergreen leaves make a fine groundcover. It prefers a moist, well-drained location in acid soil. Potgrown plants only. 3 for \$2.95; 6 for \$4.95. Postpaid.

## FLOWERING SHRUBS

Blue Hydrangea. A plant of outstanding beauty with immense flower heads, often a foot across, during late July and August. Where temperatures go below zero, they need protection the same as roses, by mounding up 10 to 12 inches of soil around the plant just before freezing weather starts in.

2-year fieldgrow plants, postpaid, \$1.95 each.

Blue Spiraea. Caryopteris Blue Mist. A not too well known, but lovely little shrub of low growing habit and covered with numerous clusters of powder blue, fringed flowers from August till frost. The foliage is slightly toothed and silvery green in color.

2-year fieldgrown plants, postpaid, \$1.25 each; 3 for \$3.50.

Forsythia Lynwood Gold. A beautiful new Forsythia, originating in Ireland. It is an erect grower and in early Spring is covered with a profusion of deep, golden yellow flowers. Not only is it a more profuse bloomer than the older varieties, but the individual blooms are larger and of better form.

2-year fieldgrown plants, postpaid, \$2.15 each; 3 for \$5.95.

Forsythia Spring Glory. Another spectacular new Forsythia bearing such masses of so much larger blooms than the older varieties, that a mature plant in full bloom in early Spring is an almost unbelievable sight. The soft lemon yellow florets completely smother the branches. Very hardy in all sections.

2-year fieldgrown plants, postpaid, \$2.15 each; 3 for \$5.95.

Red Weigela. Weigela Vaniceki. Glowing ruby red flowers, almost an inch across, are produced in great profusion in June and frequently in late summer. Growth habit is symmetrical and little pruning is required.

2-year fieldgrown plants, postpaid, \$2.15 each; 3 for \$5.95.

Variegated Dogwood. Cornus elegantissima. Rich red twigs make this a valuable plant in the landscape for winter effect, while the silver variegated foliage, which colors up brilliantly in the Fall, is very attractive all summer long.

2-year fieldgrown plants, postpaid, \$2.15 each; 3 for \$5.95.

Heavenly Blue Althea. Althea coelestris. Another good summer blooming shrub. Its single flowers are produced in great profusion and continue from early August into late September. A very neat and compact grower. It is one of the best of the Altheas.

2-year fieldgrown plants, postpaid, \$1.85 each; 3 for \$4.95.

SPECIAL SHRUB OFFER. We will ship you ONE each of Forsythia Lynwood Gold, Heavenly Blue Althea, Red Weigela, all THREE, postpaid for \$5.95.

# ORNAMENTAL TREES

Pink Flowering Dogwood. Cornus florida rubra. A most beautiful tree in late May with its profusion of reddish pink flowers. It is just as attractive and showy in the Fall, with its deep red foliage and scarlet berries. Prefers an acid soil.

Junior Trees, 1½ to 2 feet tall, postpaid, \$3.25 each.

White Flowering Dogwood. Cornus florida. One of our very fine native trees, covered with white flowers in May. In the Fall its foliage changes to a gorgeous red, while scarlet berries add to its beauty.

Junior Trees, 1½ to 2 feet tall, postpaid, \$1.75 each.

Saucer Magnolia. Magnolia Soulangeana. Large flowers of delightful fragrance, pink in the bud, turning white when fully open, cover the entire tree in early Spring before the leaves appear.

Junior Trees, 1½ to 2 feet tall, postpaid, \$1.75 each.

Golden Chain Tree. Laburnum Vossi. Golden yellow flowers resembling yellow Wisteria blossoms, in racemes 15 to 20 inches long, cover this beautiful tree in May. It is particularly effective when planted in combination with purple Lilacs.

Junior Trees, 2 to 3 feet tall, postpaid, \$3.95 each.

Rare Franklinia. Franklinia alatamaha. Beautiful blooms and blazing Fall color bring beauty to any planting. Flowers on this unusual tree start opening in mid-August and continue opening until hard frost. The young leaves are a rich, dark green with red veining. In Autumn the whole tree turns into a rich, blazing red color.

Junior Trees, 12 to 18 inches tall, postpaid, \$1.75 each.

# **DELPHINIUMS**

## Giant Pacific Hybrid

The elegance and beauty of this marvelous new strain of Hybrid Delphiniums is almost beyond description. Tall, stately stalks bear enormous flower spikes heavily laden with individual florets, each one perfect and exceptionally large. The colors are exquisite and range from light blue through mauve to dark purple and white. Mixed colors only.

Growing plants from plantbands, for bloom this year, 6 for \$2.75; 12 for \$4.95, postpaid.

# JUNIOR EVERGREENS

# For EASY SHIPPING ECONOMY IN BUYING FUN IN GROWING

we present these JUNIOR EVERGREENS; all transplanted, 3 and 4 year-old plants. No Less Than Ten per order at these prices, but you may make your own selection and assort them as you wish. 10 for \$2.95; 50 for \$13.45; 100 for \$24.95. All Postpaid.

Canadian Hemlock, Tsuga canadensis
American Arbor-vitae, Thuja occidentalis
Chinese Arbor-vitae or Biota, Thuja orientalis
Austrian Pine, Pinus nigra
Japanese Black Pine, Pinus thunbergi
Norway Red Pine, Pinus resinosa
Scotch Pine, Pinus sylvestris
White Pine, Pinus Strobus
Colorado Blue Spruce, Picea pungens glauca
Norway Spruce, Picea Abies

## MISCELLANEOUS PLANTS

- Torch Azalea. Azalea Kaempferi. One of the most brilliant with red and orange-red flowers profusely borne in late April or early May. Very hardy.
- Chinese Azalea. Azalea mollis. This beautiful deciduous variety is extremely hardy. It blooms in May and June, giving your planting a mass of brilliant orange-scarlet color.
- Scotch Heather. Calluna vulgaris. This low growing evergreen seldom exceeds two feet in height and is valuable as a groundcover in very sunny locations and poor soil. Occasional shearing helps to keep it compact. Pink flowers in late summer and early Autumn.
- Mountain Laurel. Kalmia latifolia. In May and early June this gorgeous native evergreen shrub presents a beautiful spectacle, with its white or blush-pink clustered flowers.
- Japanese Andromeda. Pieris japonica. An upright growing evergreen shrub, with showy white flowers in late April or early May. Thick shiny leaves, turning bronze in winter.

All the above named varieties, 2-year plants from plantbands, 75c each; 6 for \$4.00; 12 for \$5.95.

#### SPECIAL OFFER

We will ship 3 plants each, from plantbands, of Rhododendron Hybrid seedlings Mountain Laurel Japanese Andromeda Torch Azalea

Postpaid, for \$5.95

# HARDY CHRYSANTHEMUMS

No more splendid show in the Fall Garden than the Hardy Chrysanthemums. From late August on until heavy frost finishes them, often until November, Chrysanthemums are the glory of the Autumn Garden.

Plant some this Spring for enjoyment this Fall and in years to come.

### **CUSHION VARIETIES**

Champion Cushion, deep reddish bronze.
Golden Carpet, deep golden yellow.
Major Cushion, salmon pink.
Red Super De Luxe, bright red.
White Champion, blush buds open white.
Yellow Supreme, soft yellow.

### **BUTTON VARIETIES**

Chiquita, (Little Doll), deep lemon yellow. Pepita, (Little Girl), eggshell white. Rosita (Little Rose), light Persian rose. September Bronze, golden bronze.

## **DECORATIVE VARIETIES**

Allegro, shrimp pink.
Avalanche, creamy white.
Betty, glowing pink, rose center.
Burgundy, wine red.
Caravan, salmon bronze.
Carnival, burnt orange.
Charles Nye, deep lemon yellow.
Courageous, dark ruby red.
Glacier, pure white.
Harbinger, golden bronze.
Heatherbloom, heather pink.
Improved Early Wonder, lavender pink.
Misty Maid, light pink.
White Wonder, large ivory white.
Yellow Avalanche, light lemon yellow.

Growing plants in 2-inch potbands, sure to bloom next autumn, 6 for \$2.55; 12 for \$4.65, postpaid. Your selection of varieties.

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